(ii) Improved Chullahs are being popularised in rural area to save fuelwood.

(iii) Alternate fuels like Kerosene LPG etc. are being subsidised in tribal areas.

(iv) Solar cookers are being advocated to harness solar energy.

(v) Massive afforestation programmes have been launched to raise fuelwood and fodder plantations under social forestry programme.

Software Export Unit at Bangalore

1529. SHRI SYED SIBTEY RAZI: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) whether some software export unit has been set up at Bangalore;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether this unit has any foreign collaboration;

(d) if so, the details thereof indicating the share of foreign collaborator and total outlay required for this unit;

(e) whether some target of this unit has been fixed; and

(f) if so, the details thereof and what steps Government propose to take to achieve the target?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY (PROF. M.G.K. MENON): (a) to (f) Approvals have been given to seven units for setting up of software export units at Bangalore under 100 per cent Export Oriented Unit Scheme and under Software Technology Park Scheme of the Department of Electronics. Details of foreign collaboration, foreign equity, total outlay, etc. of these units are given in Annexure. [*See* Appendix CLV, Annexure No. 49] These units have already made marketing arrangements for exports to achieve the targets (100 per cent export of their production). Government have created the necessary environment to facilitate exports and provided infrastructural support.

Functioning of National Book Trust

1530. SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what was the investment in National Book Trust in Seventh Five Year Plan;

(b) whether the return in terms of achievements has been negligible;

(c) whether any study by an outside agency has taken place on the functioning of National Book Trust over the last three years;

(d) what are the details of State-wise activities of National Book Trust in the last three years; and

(e) what is the financial outlay for National Book Trust to the Eighth Five Year Plan?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA): (a) The actual expenditure incurred by the National Book Trust during the Seventh Five Year Plan period was Rs. 10.89 crores of which Rs. 4.16 crores was Plan expenditure (pending finalisation of figures for 1989-90).

(b) No, Sir.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) A statement is attached. [*See* Appendix CLV, Annexure 50]

(e) The financial outlay of the National Book Trust for the Eighth Five Year Plan (1990—95) is yet to be finalised.

Investment in Electronic Sector during Seventh/Eighth Five Year Plan

1531. SHRI MENTAY PADMANABHAM: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what has been the investment made in the electronics sector during the Seventh Five Year Plan;

(b) what is the financial assessment of such investment in this sector;